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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Anthony C. Dumas, 32, Beloit, Wis., was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 188 months in prison for possession of crack cocaine with intent to distribute. Dumas pleaded guilty to this charge on April 25, 2008.

On November 30, 2008, Dumas was arrested after eluding officers following a traffic violation. Officers found a large amount of crack cocaine packaged for sale in his pocket. They also found a loaded firearm in his car.

Judge Crabb stated that Dumas' lengthy sentence was the result of numerous drug and gun related convictions, and that Dumas, who was on two terms of felony probation at the time of the offense, has not taken advantage of numerous opportunities for rehabilitation.

The charges against Dumas were the result of an investigation conducted by the Janesville Police Department. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.